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The present paper is submitted as a complete response to the Official Action mailed September 17, 2003 having a shortened statutory period of response of three months, to and including December 17, 2003. The present paper is timely filed since this paper is being filed prior to or on the three-month date; however, should an extension of time be required, this paper is such a request. No fees are believed due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 that are deemed necessary for the filing of the present document from Haynes and Boone Deposit Account No. 08-1394.